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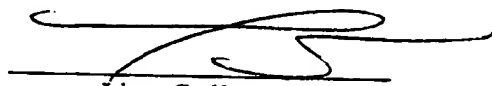
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FOR: METHODS FOR IN-SITU CLEANING OF ABRASIVE BELT/PLANING
SURFACES USING DRY ICE AND CLEANING SYSTEMS OR DEVICE
RELATED THERETO (AS AMENDED)*****
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Sir:LETTER TO EXAMINER

More than six (6) months have passed since Applicant filed a Response dated December 2, 1998. Also, **no** substantive communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office *since* the Official Action mailed July 3, 1998.

During a telephone conference with the Examiner this date, the undersigned was advised that according to the computer records of the USPTO a Final Office Action was mailed out February 17, 1999. However, the firm's docketing records include no indication that a Final Office Action was received from the USPTO. Additionally, and as also explained to the Examiner, Applicant specifically called the undersigned previously and recently inquiring as to the status of the case.

During this telephone conference with the Examiner, the undersigned also was advised that the records did not include any reference to the Power of Attorney that had been filed with the Response dated December 2, 1998. As such, and in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion, the undersigned encloses herewith a copy of the previously filed Power of Attorney. The enclosed Power of Attorney, in

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addition to empowering the listed individuals to act on Applicant's behalf in the USPTO, also provides that all future correspondence shall be sent to:

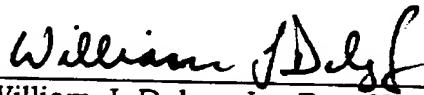
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Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned be advised of the present status of the subject application. Further, it is respectfully requested that if a Final Office Action was mailed out, then a replacement action be issued re-starting the period for responding.

If the USPTO should require any further information or further clarification, then the Examiner or other individual seeking the information should call the undersigned collect at the below listed number.

Respectfully submitted,

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